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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/630,483	KURIOKA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Andrew T Sever	2851	

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☐ This communication is responsive to ____.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-16.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 30 July 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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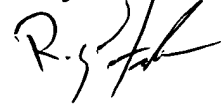
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date ____. |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>9/5/2003</u> | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____. |

Rodney Fuller
Primary Examiner



DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-16 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Independent claim 1 claims among other things a projection optical system comprising a refractive optical system with a plurality of refractive optical elements and a reflective optical system with a plurality of reflective optical elements wherein each of the reflective surface making up the reflective optical elements has an optical power. This was not found in the prior art.

US 6,752,500 to Yoshii et al. teaches in figure 6 a projector having a projection optical system that is made up of both refractive and reflective optical elements, however only a single refractive elements is present (9). US 5,716,118 to Sato et al. teaches in figure 1 refractive elements (grp1 and 4) and a single reflective element (grp5). US 6,626,541 to Sunaga (a common inventor with the present application) teaches a reflective system for example in figure 1 and further teaches in column 12 lines 1-5 that a refractive system can be also used in combination with it, however it does not teach what form that refractive system takes.

Accordingly since the prior art does not teach the claimed combination claim 1 is allowed. Claims 2-13 are dependent on claim 1 and are therefore also allowed. Claim 14 includes the projection optical system of claim 1 and therefore incorporates all of the limitation of claim 1 and is also allowed. Claim 15 is dependent on claim 14 and is therefore allowed. Claim 16 claims an image display system including the display

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apparatus of claim 14 which includes the projection optical system of claim 1 and therefore claim 16 also includes all the limitations of claim 1 and is therefore allowed.

Accordingly all claims are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The following are copending applications:

US 2004/0032571

US 2003/0133082

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew T Sever whose telephone number is 571-272-2128. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00.

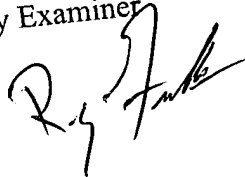
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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Lefkowitz can be reached on 271-272-2180. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Rodney Fuller
Primary Examiner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Fuller', is written over the printed name and title of the Primary Examiner.